



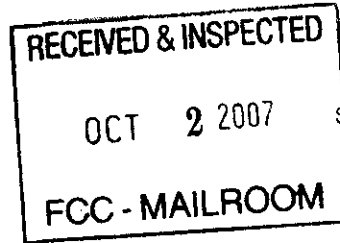
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RE: **Section 54.316 of the FCC's Rules; Certification of new rate comparability review for non-rural carriers serving in rural areas (For calendar year 2008 support).**

In reviewing the requirements for Michigan to qualify to use the "safe harbor" provision of CC Docket No. 96-45, FCC 03-249, Michigan's statewide average cost for basic local telephone service must fall within two standard deviations of the FCC's national benchmark figure of \$34.58.

The Michigan Public Service Commission submits the required annual 2007 data in order to qualify Michigan Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETC) to receive 2008 USF support. Michigan's non-rural ETCs are AT&T Michigan and Verizon. Their current rates for basic local telephone service are:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Monthly Local Rate</u>	<u>Additional Factor</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
AT&T Michigan	\$14.08	\$8.78	\$22.86
Verizon North, Inc	\$19.49	\$8.78	\$28.27
Verizon North Systems	\$19.01	\$8.78	\$27.79

Given these rates fall well within the required range of the established benchmark, Michigan again asks to use the safe harbor provision to meet the requirements of certifying for rate comparability. Please feel free to contact me with any questions. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Robin Ancona
Acting Division Director,
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cc: John Alco, Pamela Gallant

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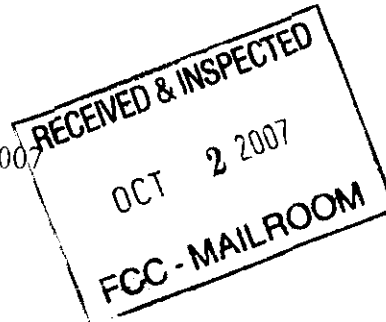
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Dear Ms. Dortch and Ms. Majcher:

**RE: Certification of Support for Rural and Non-Rural High Cost Carriers
Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Sections 54.313-54.314, CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 00-256.**

The Michigan Public Service Commission hereby transmits a list of Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) who have certified to the Michigan Commission that all federal high cost and Lifeline/Linkup support provided to rural and non-rural carriers in this State will be used only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with section 254(e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. This includes Lifeline/Linkup, High Cost (HCL) support, Local Switching Support (LSS) and High Cost Model (HCM) support received pursuant to the purchase of exchanges.

Attached is a list of rural and non-rural carriers certified by the Michigan Public Service Commission pursuant to section 54.313 and 54.314 of the FCC's rules (47 C.F.R. §§54.313, 54.314), which require states to establish an annual certification process for rural and non-rural carriers receiving federal high cost support. As requested by the Universal Service Administrative Company, listed beside each carrier is its assigned study area code (SAC).

Sincerely,

Robin Ancona
Acting Division Director
Telecommunications Division

“Adopt and issue minute dated September 25, 2007 designating the following carriers as eligible telecommunications carriers for the purpose of receiving federal universal service funds to be expended in 2008, consistent with the Federal Communications Commission order in CC Docket No 96-45, and the rate comparability review criteria set forth in 47 CFR 54.313 and 54.314. Further, each exchange is designated as a service area for this purpose. The certification granted in this minute action is conditioned upon the Commission’s reservation of its right to audit all expenditures of these universal service funds:

<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>SERVICE AREA CODE</u>
Ace Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310704
Allband Communications Cooperative (Lifeline & High Cost)	310542
Allendale Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310669
AllTel Communications, Inc. (Lifeline & High Cost)	319010
American Cellular Corp (Lifeline & High Cost)	319012
AT&T Michigan (Lifeline)	315090
Baraga Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310675
Barry County Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310676
Blanchard Telephone Association, Inc. (Lifeline & High Cost)	310678
Bloomington Telephone Co., Inc. (Lifeline & High Cost)	310679
Carr Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310683
CenturyTel of Michigan, Inc. (Lifeline & High Cost)	310702
CenturyTel of Midwest-Michigan, Inc. (Lifeline & High Cost)	310671
CenturyTel of Northern Michigan, Inc. (Lifeline & High Cost)	310705
CenturyTel of Upper Michigan, Inc. (Lifeline & High Cost)	310689
Chapin Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310694
Chippewa County Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310680
Climax Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310688
Deerfield Farmers Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310691
Dobson Cellular Systems, Inc. (Lifeline & High Cost)	319912
Drenthe Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310692
Frontier Communications of Michigan, Inc. (Lifeline & High Cost)	310682
Hiawatha Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310713
Kaleva Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310703
Lennon Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310708
Michiana Metronet, Inc. (Lifeline & High Cost)	319008
Centennial Michigan RSA 6 Cellular Corp. (Lifeline & High Cost)	319006
Centennial Michigan RSA 7 Cellular Corp. (Lifeline & High Cost)	319007
Midway Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310711
Nexus Communications, Inc. (Lifeline)	319014

Ogden Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310714
Ontonagon County Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310717
Peninsula Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310720
Pigeon Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310721
Sand Creek Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310725
Springport Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310728
TDS: Communications Corporation of Michigan (Lifeline & High Cost)	310672
TDS: Chatham Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310685
TDS: Island Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310677
TDS: Shiawasee Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310726
TDS: Wolverine Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310738
Thumb Cellular (Lifeline & High Cost)	319005
Upper Peninsula Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310732
Verizon North (Lifeline)	310695
Verizon North Systems (Lifeline)	313033
Vilaire Communications (Lifeline)	319015
Waldron Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310734
Westphalia Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310735
Winn Telephone Company (Lifeline & High Cost)	310737

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